

HADES IS DEATH'S TOOL OF DESTRUCTION

Hades is the experience of sin ridden people on earth who live a life of addiction, emptiness, anger, frustration, and pride. The gates of Hades are the many addictions and avenues toward death.

The gates of Hades lead to physical death and destruction here on earth now.

The church is to show sinners how to be released from the gates of Hades and find life instead of death. The church battles for people's lives against the gates of Hades and prevails.

Matthew 16:18

Therefore the gates of Hades are here on earth now and are swallowing up sinners who are not warned and do not heed the warning. Through the message of the church, the Word of God and the Spirit of God releases the captives of sin from their many avenues of death. The church is responsible for the message. People are responsible to cooperate with Holy Spirit conviction and allow themselves to be led to a saving faith in Jesus for new life.

Matthew 11:23 Capernaum will be brought down to Hades (continued sin that leads to death.

"Going down to Hades" is speaking of destruction in this world because of sin and pride.

Cities and nations are destroyed because of sin. Capernaum was more guilty of rejecting truth than Sodom because Truth came to their city and they rejected it. Jesus spent most of His three year ministry in Capernaum and did many of His miracles in Capernaum. But the people of Capernaum rejected Him even with evidence through miracles that He is the Messiah.

Miracles in Capernaum: Matthew 12:9-13 Mark 1:21, 29-31; 32-34 Mark 2:1-12

Luke 7:1-10

Hades is not "hell" the Lake of Fire because Hades is cast into the Lake of Fire. Hades is hell on earth "now" for sinners in bondage to their addictions. **Revelation 20:14**

